District 4 GSR Meeting: November 17, 2015

Present: Felix, GSR, Florence IOpener, KC, Alternate GSR, Chapman Street Group; Ben E., GSR, Sunday Night Life, Haydenville; Kim C., GSR, Amherst Monday Night; Chris H., Alt. GSR, Haydenville; Alex B., GSR, Tuesday Step Study Group; Jade M., GSR, Sunderland Security Group; Moira, Alt GSR, Sunderland Security Group; Bob Mc; GSR, Sunday Night Only Requirement Group; Rob W., GSR, Northampton Saturday Night Beginner's Group; Dwight, GSR, Been There Done That; Joanne H., GSR, You Chair it You name it Group, Hadley; Maripat Robinson, GSR, 11th Hour Group; Jim W., GSR, Sunday 12 Step Amherst; Dan G., GSR, Making Progress Group, North Amherst; Patti DCM; Steve C., Co-DCM, Tania, LCM. Nov 17 2015

Steve introduced the reading: Chapter 3 in the Service Manual: the district & the DCM because we're electing a new co-DCM and secretary tonight. DCM and Co-DCM will decide if they need to elect an LCM.

Secretary report read. Patti made a correction—District 4 asked for \$300 rather than \$100 from the area.

GSR Reports

Ben: Haydenville Anniversary is this Sunday (11/22): 6:30 food/fellowship, 7:30 speaker. Attendance slow due to football. Making monthly donations.

Jade: Group is growing, decided not to participate in the Alcathon.

Kim: group not sure@ Alcathon, doing phone service

Alex: made a pie donation! Purchased new 12&12s

Dwight: Group anniversary on Saturday 11/21; 8 am potluck after the regular meeting. There are few new members & filling positions. Will participate in Alcathon

Joanne: New larger space at the Hadley Senior Center. December 23 Christmas Dinner food at 5 meeting after Bob: filling in for Christine. Sadly missed Alcathon drawing. Group is growing @25. Tabled donation question. Still under discussion. New bookie

Rob: strong attendance, but small meeting. Monthly pie. Passing basket in the middle of the meeting. Tania: no changes to meeting space. Very small group. May not elect new GSR. Was going to chair this week but can't so anyone who'd like to should talk to Tania

Maripat: Group is healthy and making regular contributions.

Jim: Group has a new member; very small group. Reg contributions to the pie. Got a regular coffee maker. Looking to do outgoing commitments. Patti said that Anne (the delegates) home group does that. So Jim should check with her

Felix: Group conscience about 7th tradition and satellite groups, about 50-30 ppl. Attended. Affirmed that group will try to keep groups together. Subcommittee to redo terms of use for other meetings

KC: attendance back up. Planning group conscience. Contribute to the pie

Dan: new GSR. Membership stabilizing. Originally beginner meeting + speaker

Steve delivered the DCM report: Attended Mass Stare Convention and was glad to see some District 4 people there. Attended the Area meeting on November 11. Budget was discussed. Reduce mileage for committee members from 43 cents to 32 cents. Keep budget stable. District 4 asked for \$300 so that we can purchase more GSR packets for loan. District 6 asked for \$400 because they are split between two states and like to do workshops in both areas. Patti: explained pie donations and prudent reserve. AA is struggling & needs regular donations. Rolling out as DCM. What so you do when there is no one to replace you. Trust & Rely on God!

No Old Business

New Business:

Elections! Steve read 3rd Legacy Voting practice Candidates for CoDCM Felix, Ben, Tania, Dan, and Rob Ben was elected.

Secretary: question about if secretary needs to be a current GSR; election postponed to next meeting. Steve will get clarification.

The meeting closed at 8:25 pm